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## **WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER**

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### **CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 20, 2007**

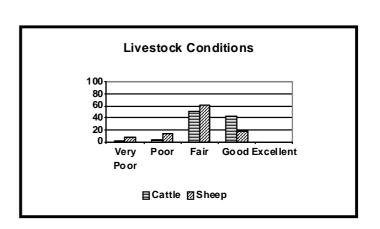
**NEW MEXICO:** There were 5.4 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 7% very short, 39% short, 52% adequate, and 2% surplus. Wind damage was 23% light and 8% moderate. Hail damage was 1% light. Farmers spent the week thinning, weeding and harvesting crops. Alfalfa was mostly fair to good, with 60% of the third cutting complete and 1% of the forth cutting complete. Cotton was mostly fair to good, with 80% squaring and 30% setting bolls. Corn was mostly good, with 49% silked. Total sorghum was mostly poor to good, with 7% headed. Total winter wheat harvest is nearing completion. Peanuts were mostly fair to good with 55% pegged. Chile conditions were mostly good, with 20% light pod set and 80% average pod set. Onions were 95% harvested. Apples were mostly fair to good. Pecans were mostly good. Cattle conditions were mostly fair to good. Sheep conditions were mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions were mostly poor to good. Livestock producers have been busy moving cattle and hauling water.

#### **CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS**

CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
CORN	Silked	49	15	58	58
COTTON	Squaring	80	70	85	91
COTTON	Setting Bolls	30	22	51	47
ONIONS	Harvested	95	93	99	89
PEANUTS	Pegging	55	50	57	67
SORGHUM (ALL)	Headed	7	6	3	4

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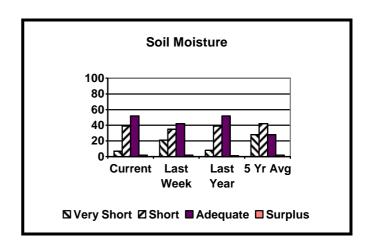
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	8	23	60	8
Chile			6	94	
Corn			2	96	2
Cotton		11	38	48	3
Peanuts			20	80	
Pecan			20	80	
Sorghum (All)	16	32	20	32	
Cattle	1	4	52	43	
Sheep	7	13	62	18	
Range/Pasture	5	30	42	23	



Comments from Reporters. Curry County: Finally got rain. De Baca County: Range conditions have really improved and are greening up with the recent showers...Recent rains have also run water to stock ponds that have been dry all spring and early summer. Guadalupe County: Cooler daytime temperatures this week. Ranchers have quit supplemental feeding. Most areas received stock pond water. Quay County: Precipitation welcome but still need more. San Juan County: Rangeland water starting to dwindle. Santa Fe County: Rains continuing but very spotty. County still behind on forage growth at this point. Union County: Wheat did not produce as well – yields are low. Still need lots of rain.

#### SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		
Northwest	14	47	34	5		
Northeast	6	38	55	1		
Southwest	10	90				
Southeast		13	87			
State Current	7	39	52	2		
State-Last Week	21	35	42	2		
State-Last Year	8	39	52	1		
State-5-Yr Avg.	28	42	28	2		



### **WEATHER SUMMARY**

Temperatures for the week were from near normal to a couple of degrees below normal over most of the state. There was widespread rain mostly greater than 0.10 of an inch except in the extreme Northwest and Southeast corners of the state. Numerous stations had over an inch of rain with a couple over two inches for the week including, Des Moines/Capulin 2.32, and Deming 2.09. Data was missing for Los Alamos for most of the week.

**NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - July 14 - 20, 2008** 

	Temperature			Precipitation				
Station	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	<u>Week</u> 14-Jul - 20-Jul	<u>Month</u> 1-Jul - 20-Jul	<u>Accum.</u> 1-Jan - 20-Jul	<u>Normal</u> Jul	<u>Normal</u> Jan-Jul
Northwest								
Albuquerque	76.6	93	62	0.84	1.98	3.57	1.37	4.42
Chama	62.8	85	39	0.71	1.31	8.86	2.24	11.08
Farmington	76.3	94	58	0.04	0.43	3.48	0.94	4.31
Gallup	70.9	90	53	0.66	0.82	6.43	1.91	6.10
Grants	70.1	89	52	0.61	0.81	3.86	1.76	4.79
Johnson Ranch	69.2	88	50	0.27	1.06	3.83	1.66	5.43
Los Alamos	68.0	85	50	0.20	0.60	5.08	3.25	9.66
Red River	58.1	79	38	0.31	1.11	4.93	3.01	11.93
Santa Fe	72.7	90	54	0.80	1.25	4.94	2.38	7.64
Northeast								
Capulin	66.7	84	48	2.32	3.44	8.37	3.25	10.52
Clayton	75.8	93	60	1.26	2.27	5.56	2.70	9.00
Clovis	74.5	87	63	1.36	1.58	6.18	2.56	9.57
Las Vegas	66.9	82	53	1.05	3.20	6.80	3.20	9.60
Moriarty	69.9	87	54	1.20	1.96	4.64	2.38	6.37
Raton	71.3	92	50	0.82	1.79	4.88	2.66	9.82
Roy	70.0	85	54	0.92	2.47	5.30	2.97	9.03
Tucumcari	76.8	91	62	1.09	4.99	12.80	3.30	8.57
Southwest								
Animas	77.9	96	63	0.51	1.59	2.11	2.26	4.74
Deming	78.0	96	64	2.09	6.65	7.18	2.15	4.43
Gran Quivira	70.0	87	54	1.70	3.28	5.45	2.81	7.52
Quemado	68.2	89	51	1.72	2.76	5.00	2.37	6.56
Socorro	75.7	90	60	0.08	0.99	1.79	1.44	3.94
T or C	77.1	93	62	0.94	3.76	4.85	1.86	4.44
Southeast								
Alamogordo	79.1	93	64	0.19	2.20	3.46	2.23	5.51
Carlsbad	81.4	96	65	0.00	2.31	4.38	1.79	5.74
Carrizozo	71.5	87	57	1.22	1.22	2.12	2.05	5.55
Las Cruces	79.5	97	66	0.37	2.61	2.81	1.36	3.63
Roswell	76.6	91	63	0.13	1.15	4.26	1.99	6.74
Ruidoso	65.0	79	49	0.61	3.03	7.21	4.02	10.99
Tatum	74.6	86	62	0.85	3.38	7.36	2.52	8.69

(T) Trace (-) No Report (\*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.